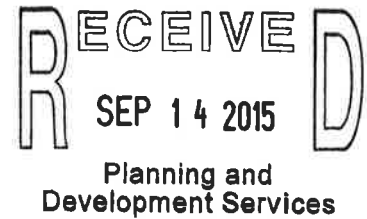


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Attention Jim Bennett  
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Dear Mr. Bennett,

I am writing to implore you to please share my opinion about the sand mining project on El Monte Road in Lakeside, California. I grew up on that road. My parents still live there and have been there for 35 years. It is a place where people take a Sunday drive, or ride their bikes and horses, hang glide or fly their remote control airplanes. So many enjoy the beautiful landscape, the park, boating at the reservoir. It is a charming place, a special little slice of rural life in a quickly changing world. People from all over San Diego enjoy this road for the beautiful country road that it is. It absolutely breaks my heart to think of what will occur in that place with constant drilling and trucks hauling aggregate, driving in and out of the valley, day in, day out, 12 hours a day for the next 15-20 years.

If this project proceeds, it will DESTROY the valley. There are so many birds, rabbits, lizards, bobcats, coyotes, insects, dairy animals, horses and FAMILIES that make their home in this area. I want to know what happens to these hundreds of families who live here and who have devoted a lifetime to improving their homes and yards. Suddenly will they have no wells? No clean air to breathe because it is filled with the dust of sand mining? The noise of drilling filling every waking moment? What about what they would be exposing all the residents to when digging around in sand that surely must be full of fungus from the riverbed? What about the fact that people have spent their life's savings trying to own property here to get away from it all?

It would be such a tragedy to let this happen. I can't imagine that it would happen in a place like Julian, the beaches, La Mesa, Coronado, La Jolla? Certainly there is somewhere less populated that they could mine for sand? I personally know all about living with something like this because for several years I lived next to mining on Mission Gorge Road in San Diego. It was terrible! Noisy, dusty, and a total eyesore to the community. Not only that but the mining sends all the little creatures of the area straight into people's homes, like rats, scorpions, even deer! (Yes, I did see deer running through our town-home development, scared to death with no where to live and running to escape the constant blasting and digging.)

Please let my voice be heard.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Earner